

CHAPTER 482 Parking Lots

EDITOR'S NOTE: Chapter 482 was re-enacted in its entirety by Ordinance 96-06, passed September 4, 1996.

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CROSS REFERENCES

Child labor in parking lots - see Code of Va. ' 40.1-100
 Regulation of vehicular and pedestrian traffic in certain lots - see Code of Va. ' 46.2-1219
 Parking generally - see TRAF. Ch. 480
 Parking meters - see TRAF. Ch. 484
 Parking near fire hydrants and in fire lanes - see TRAF. 486.01, 486.02
 Dulles Airport parking - see TRAF. Ch. 488
 Abandoned, inoperable and unattended vehicles - see GEN. OFF. Ch. 602

482.01 APPLICATION OF CHAPTER.

The provisions of this chapter, unless specifically indicated, shall apply to all County-owned or leased parking lots and to all parking areas on property owned by the School Board and used for public school purposes. Regulations pertaining to parking at County parks and community centers are codified in Chapter 1092 of these Codified Ordinances.

(Ord. 96-06. Passed 9-4-96.)

482.02 GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS.

(a) The County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to erect, or to have erected and installed, signs or markers restricting the use of County parking lots, specifying the maximum allowable length of time during which a vehicle may be parked at various locations in said lots and designating no parking, reserved parking, loading and handicapped parking areas. Such signs or markers shall be erected at locations which will notify a reasonably observant person of the applicable parking lot restrictions.

(b) The School Board or its designee is hereby authorized to erect, or to have erected and installed, signs or markers restricting the use of school parking lots, specifying the maximum allowable period of time during which a vehicle may be parked at various locations in said lots and designating no parking, reserved parking, loading and handicapped parking areas. Such signs or markers shall be erected at locations which will notify a reasonably observant person of the applicable parking lot restrictions. No person shall park a motor vehicle at any location on school property unless parking at that location is authorized by the School Board or its designee and unless such authorization is clearly designated by posted signs or markers.

(c) No person shall park any motor vehicle on County or school property in such a manner as to impede or restrict the parking, entrance or exit of other motor vehicles.

(d) No person shall park any motor vehicle in violation of the restrictions designated on the signs or markers erected on County or school property pursuant to this chapter.

(e) Commercial activity in County parking lots is prohibited. Nothing shall be offered for sale or sold, rented or traded in or on said parking lots, except as otherwise permitted by the County Administrator.

(f) No skateboarding, in-line skating or any other form of recreational activity is permitted in County and school parking lots.
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482.03 SPECIFIC PARKING LOTS.

(a) County Government Center Parking Garage.

- (1) The County Government Center Parking Garage is restricted to parking for County government business only during regular business hours. During those hours, parking for the public transacting County business is provided on Level One. Levels Two, Three and Four are reserved for parking by County employees and officials.
- (2) At all other times, public parking is permitted until 12:00 midnight, at which time the Garage shall be considered closed. The Garage will reopen at 6:00 a.m. on the following day. At the discretion of the Board of Supervisors, and for a specific community purpose, the County Administrator or his or her designee shall be authorized to extend the time of closing of the Garage.
- (3) Overnight parking in the Garage is prohibited, except by County employees and officials engaged in County business, and only with the permission of the County Administrator or his or her designee.

(b) Jail Parking Lot.

- (1) The Jail Parking Lot shall be reserved for juror parking and for Sheriff's Office personnel and police vehicles from other law enforcement agencies, except that one space in the Parking Lot shall be reserved for the Commonwealth's Attorney and one space shall be reserved for the Clerk of the Circuit Court. Appropriate signs or markers shall be erected designating such reserved parking.

- (2) In addition to the authorization provided in Section 482.02(a), the County Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to erect, or to have erected and installed, appropriate signs or markers designating reserved parking for jurors and Sheriff's Office personnel in the Jail Parking Lot. Such signs or markers shall be erected at locations which will notify any reasonably observant person of the parking restrictions.
(Ord. 96-06. Passed 9-4-96.)

482.04 ENFORCEMENT.

(a) The Sheriff is hereby authorized and directed to enforce this chapter and all rules, regulations and penalties relating to parking on County and school property. The Sheriff or Deputy shall attach to any vehicle whose operator is in violation of any of the provisions of Sections 482.02 and 482.03 a Notice of Violation, indicating that such vehicle has been parked in violation of one or more of the provisions of such sections.

(b) In addition to the issuance of a Notice of Violation, the Sheriff may have offending vehicles removed by towing or otherwise, or immobilized by a boot or other device that prevents the vehicle from being moved. The owner of the vehicle shall be responsible for all charges for towing and storage or for charges for removal of the boot or other device.

(c) In any prosecution charging a violation of this chapter or any rule or regulation promulgated hereunder, proof that the vehicle described in the complaint, summons, Notice of Violation, citation or warrant was parked in violation of this chapter, together with proof that the defendant was, at the time of such violation, the registered owner of the vehicle, shall constitute in evidence a prima-facie presumption that such registered owner was the person who committed the violation.
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482.05 VIOLATIONS; PROCEDURE.

(a) Prior to the issuance of a warrant or summons for a violation of any of the provisions of Sections 482.02 and 482.03, such violation may be disposed of by payment to the County Treasurer of the full amount of the fine specified in the Notice of Violation. If payment is not received in thirty days, the fine will be increased by ten dollars (\$10.00) for each outstanding violation.

Nothing in this section shall affect any fine, forfeiture or penalty for a violation of any County ordinance after the issuance of a summons or warrant.

(b) Any person who may be subject to liability under this chapter as a result of the issuance of a Notice of Violation may, prior to the issuance of a warrant or summons, notify the County Treasurer of his or her desire to contest the issuance of the Notice of Violation. Upon receiving such notification, the County Treasurer shall certify the alleged violation to the County General District Court to be scheduled for a hearing on a date certain, and notice of such hearing shall be given to the person contesting the violation.

(c) A warrant or summons may be issued for the prosecution of a violation of any of the provisions of Sections 482.02 and 482.03 at any time after thirty days from the issuance of the Notice of Violation.
(Ord. 96-06. Passed 9-4-96.)

482.99 PENALTY.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See Section 428.99 for general Traffic Code penalty if no specific penalty is provided.)

- (a) Except as otherwise provided herein, whoever violates any of the provisions of Sections 482.02 and 482.03 may dispose of such violation by payment to the County Treasurer of a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) prior to the issuance of a summons or warrant, subject to the provisions of Section 482.05.
 - (b) Whoever violates Section 482.02(e) shall be fined forty dollars (\$40.00).
 - (c) Whoever violates handicapped parking restrictions shall be fined one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
- (Ord. 96-06. Passed 9-4-96.)